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"The law of truth was in his mouth and iniquity was not found in his mouth, Mal. 2:6. "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32.

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MASS YOUTH RALLY TO HIGHLIGHT UNAC

by
Elder C. E. Hawthorne

Church of God in Christ youth should make a special effort to be at UNAC this year. If there ever was a convention that our youth should attend, it is this one. Many miss the days when the Youth Congress was active. It was a convention that young people looked forward to with eager anticipation. That same spirit of anticipation is worthy of UNAC-5 in Chicago this summer.

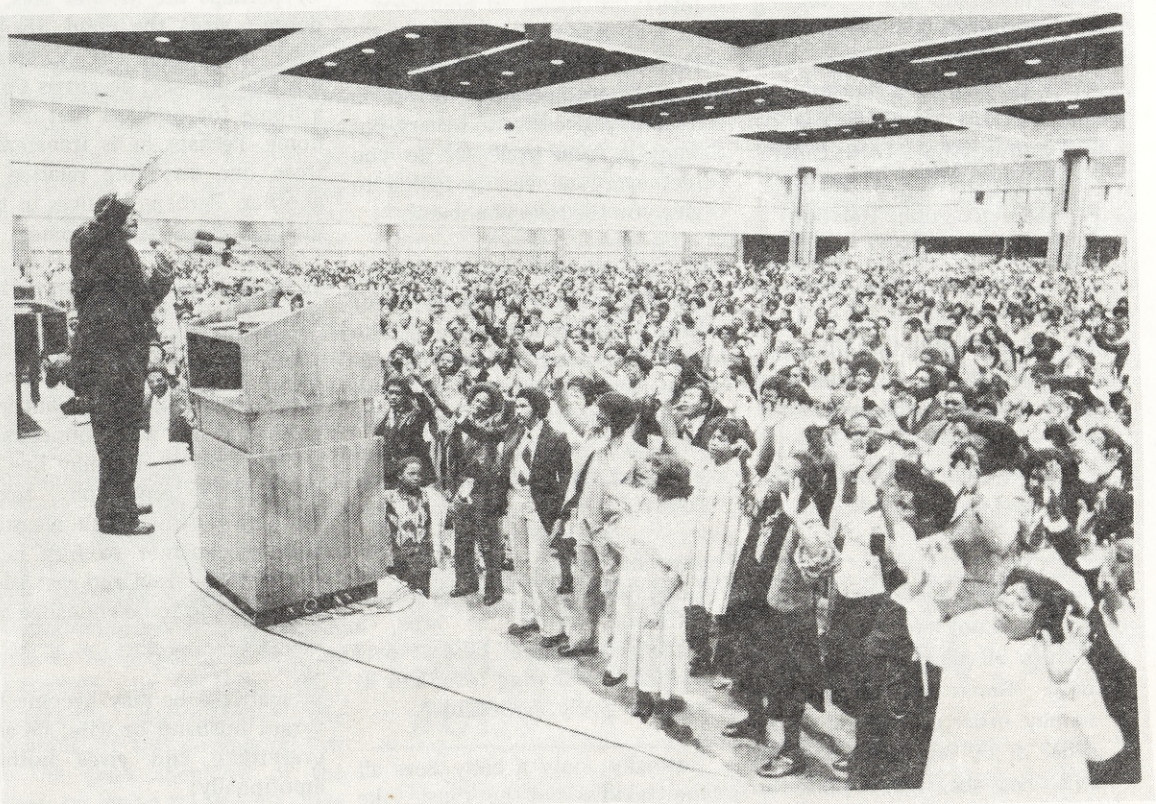
This convention, to say the least, is designed with young people in mind. There will be classes geared to the youth of our church. There will also be opportunities for them to exercise their God-given talents. Young men and women active in the ministry will especially be privileged to share in preaching, in teaching throughout the convention.

Those not in the ministry will also have opportunities. The Talent Hour, which is held every year, will again be taking place. Those with vocal, instrumental, dramatic and other talent should plan to participate from Tuesday to Friday at 6 p.m.

The highlight, however, will be the UNAC Youth Rally, which will take place the Friday of the convention. Youth from all over the country are expected to gather around noon time in Daley Plaza to share in this evangelistic outreach endeavor. Two or three speakers will share in the ministry of the word as we seek to "Reach Multitudes For Christ" right there in the windy city of Chicago, Illinois.

So saved young people should come and bring their Bibles. They should be ready to share their testimony of what the Lord has done for them. There's no telling how the Lord may move. Chicago will never be the same!

MASS YOUTH RALLY TO HIGHLIGHT UNAC-5



CHAIRMAN WINBUSH ANTICIPATES GREATEST UNAC EVER IN CHICAGO

This year's UNAC promises to be one of the most spiritual rewarding conventions the Church has ever had. UNAC Chairman, Roy L. Winbush, reports that this will be the greatest and most meaningful UNAC-5 in our history. Not only will there be great preaching, but great teaching as well. Thirty-eight different classes are being designed to provide delegates an opportunity to receive specialized training in a wide variety of Christian work.

All five of the Church of God in Christ Departments will sponsor classes which will prove to be intellectually stimulating and spiritually up-lifting. Delegates are sure to have their spiritual storehouses of knowledge

expanded as they hear speakers from all parts of the country, share deep, precious truths from the Word of God. Those that attend these morning sessions will be inspired to higher and better service to Christ, His Church and our society.

The Youth Department, under the direction of Bishop William James, will prepare classes to motivate and guide our young people for service in the Church as Christian workers, spiritual leaders, and worthy servants in our religious and social communities.

The Sunday School Department, the educational and academic root of the Church, will offer classes challenging us to prepare and then to serve, in the Spirit of Jesus Christ. Bishop C. W. Williams will be presiding.

The Evangelist Department is designed to strengthen the evangelistic thrust of the Church at the local level. The spiritual life of the Church thrives in the preaching and teaching of the gospel and a spirit-filled life in Christ. Effective ways of winning lost souls to our Saviour will be one of the classes offered by this evangelistic arm of the Church.

The Missions Department under the leadership of Elder C. L. Moody, will share in our effective outreach ministry in the United States and abroad. Mission workers, from here and overseas, will be sharing with us the good news of the lost who are saved and have joined us in Jesus.

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SATURDAY NIGHT TO FEATURE "SONG IS BORN" MUSICAL

UNAC is only a few weeks away and saints from all over the country are making plans to attend. The planning committee is in the process of making this year's convention better than ever. Bishop L. H. Ford and the First Jurisdiction of Illinois will serve as the special hosts. They are making haste to greet the saints and welcome them to the windy city of Chicago.

Program chairman, Elder Oliver J. Haney, Dean of the C. H. Mason Seminary in Atlanta, reports that several new developments will take place in

this July 6th thru 12th meeting. Although the theme is, "UNAC BRINGING MULTITUDES TOGETHER," there will be a special emphases on bringing the family together. The program will be designed to minister to each member of the family, with special classes for children, teens, and parents. In addition to this, special activities are being planned for the children, including the formation of a children's choir.

Speaking of choirs, the pre-musical will take place Monday, July 6th, with an

expected 1,000 voice mass choir. This choir, under the very able direction of Madam Mattie Moss Clark, will be singing each night of the convention. On Saturday night at 7:30 p.m. they will be presented in, "A Song Is Born," a special musical concert. Other concerts will take place during the Back Home Hour, each night from 11:00-1:00 p.m., with various individuals, groups and choirs being featured.

Elder Haney also reports that about 38 different classes will be offered during the morning religious education period. They

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GUEST EDITORIAL

HOW WE LEARN TO LOVE

by
Margaret Johnston Hess

How many kinds of love are there in your home? Does one person do all the giving, another all the taking? Or are all progressing toward maturity in love?

Or how about your church? Do you resent people who seem unable to give love to others, but want it from you? Or do you feel everyone else is failing to give you the love you need?

A psychiatrist practicing in Detroit speaks of three levels of love. . . "Every human being," he says, "has to progress through all three levels before he can reach his full emotional potential. If the first one is slighted or abridged, the others cannot follow."

Ancient Greeks expressed these three levels of love by three different words: 1) eros, a getting or "gimme" kind of love; 2) philia, a sharing love; and 3) agape, a godly, selfless love.

Normally, only a baby does all the taking; but he must take before he can give. He is born into the world demanding that his needs be satisfied. First he gasps for air. Then he wails for food, bemoans wetness. His little arms and legs flail frantically as he commands attention, night or day.

Some years ago after a bad night with my baby, I was sitting in the kitchen. The baby fretted while another young mother and I tried to relax for a few minutes. "Doesn't the pitch of that cry get you?" I asked wearily.

"That's the genius of it," she said, as we went to care for the baby.

A healthy baby cares not who is hurt by his demands. He is willing to exhaust his mother, come between his parents. He will set aside his older siblings, cancel out his mother's outside obligations.

"Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb?" (Isa. 49:15.) No, she cannot-if she has the slightest vestige of motherhood in her. Her full breast ache to be relieved by the child's sucking; her emotions ache to satisfy his needs.

Normally, the child demands and receives his full due of loving attention. But sometimes the process is short-circuited. Perhaps the mother is so underdeveloped herself emotionally that she cannot give to the child. Or perhaps circumstances intervene in her doing what she wants to do for him. She may have ill-health, or other children too close in age. Perhaps she must go to work. Perhaps she only falls short in

giving what the nature of a particular child needs. What she gives might have been enough for another child.

Or perhaps the mother dies, or doesn't want the child. He lies cold and alone in a sterile hospital nursery; he grows up in a home for orphans that isn't a home. Perhaps he is transferred from one unwilling relative to another. Perhaps he lives in too many different foster homes.

If he is short-changed in getting love, he can't move on to a philia or sharing kind of love. His emotional development stalls. He becomes the adult who cares only for what ministers to his own needs. He may live by the Playboy philosophy: sex is for one's own selfish pleasure. The sex partner to him is an object to be used and cast aside, not a person to be cherished and respected.

In marriage he may become the tyrant husband or wife: he asks everything and gives nothing emotionally.

Or he may face the fact of his own lack, and arrange his life accordingly. A boy who lost his parents at an early age was adopted by a postman and his wife. The adoption was the wife's idea mainly. When she died, her husband provided for the boy's physical needs. Actually, however, he felt burdened and irritated by the boy's presence. The boy left home as soon as he could fend for himself. In time he became a successful lawyer, married.

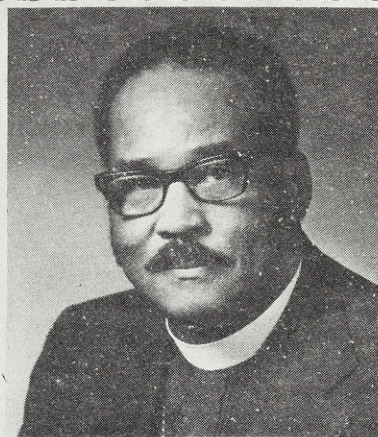
But emotionally he was still the starved infant. He required constant mother-type attention from his wife. He never had any children because he couldn't bear to care for a child; he also knew he couldn't bear to share the attention of his wife. The marriage was "successful" on that level, but he never attained his full emotional potential.

On the other hand, the emotionally starved person may not understand or face the fact of his own lack. He may marry someone who cannot give him what he requires. A school-teacher married a man who was content to live in the house she owned. He refused to use his earnings to buy groceries, or to pay bills. She had to take care of repairs, lawn, basement. He spent his earnings and his time on himself. He played golf or watched sports constantly. He jaunted off weekends on hunting and fishing expeditions with his friends.

She loved him, but couldn't stand the total emotional outgo, with no emotional or practical income. He refused any counseling, and she divorced

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Bishop J. O. Patterson
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Church of God in Christ



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Office of the Presiding Bishop

Dear Co-laborer:

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

I have striven diligently to unselfishly lead our Church for the past twelve years. I have been honest in all of my dealings and I am not ashamed of my past performance because no man can truthfully say that I have been dishonest with the Church's funds nor have I, intentionally, ill-treated anyone. If I have made any mistakes, they have been honest ones and if I am made aware of them, I will humbly apologize and make restitution.

Every project I have undertaken has been in the interest of the General Church and not for personal aggrandizement. For the past several years I have been trying to get the members of the Church to cooperate with me in the God-given vision of Saints Center. We have, through the support of a few of us, been able to purchase about seventy (70%) percent of the land needed for this development. It is, however, very crucial that we purchase, immediately, the remaining needed properties, especially since developers are concentrating on purchasing the same property we need.

The thing, however, that makes it more crucial that we act at this time is some of the land we acquired was purchased from the Memphis Housing Authority with the understanding that we would make use of the land as we proposed within a certain time limit. That time limit has been revised several times and has presently expired. Therefore, we will either have to make use of the land now, or return it to the Memphis Housing Authority.

I cannot build and develop Saints Center alone, neither can you. However, if each of us would do all we can for the expansion of the Lord's work it would be a very easy task. As I am writing this letter I hear the air-hammers cutting out the concrete floor for updated fire escapes in our downtown headquarters, that we are in the process of renovating for the use of our "All Saints University" we hope to open in the not too distant future.

The latest effort for fund raising put forth in our Church is a request for at least five-thousand (5,000) individuals or congregations, to donate one-hundred (\$100.00) dollars per month for twelve (12) months.

I am begging you to please be one of these regular contributors, whether monthly or weekly, with whatever amount you are able to send. I do, however, hope you understand that contributions have to be CONSISTENT and NOW. Make all checks payable to CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - SAINTS CENTER.

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Thanks for your immediate response !!!!!!!

Gratefully yours,

J. O. Patterson
Presiding Bishop
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Contrary to popular belief that pastors have all the answers about everything, there are times when pastors have serious questions and becomes necessary for him to gather information from whatever sources that they can in order to perform their jobs. For this reason, I have called this column "WHEN PASTORS WONDER HOW."

Dr. Gerald Kennedy relates how a poor woman one time went to bring comfort to a neighbor who had lost her husband. She was asked what she said to her and she replied "I did not say anything to her. I just made her a cup of tea." It may be that the very act of calling on and sitting quietly with another person is the best feeling we can bring. At least, it has come to me that I do not need to be ashamed of my lack of knowledge if my heart is concerned to help another person find hope. Another incident comes to mind with the installation of a new President in which he made nominations for persons to fill positions in his Cabinet. The incident involved a senator who had been nominated for membership on the Banking Commission and the

WHEN PASTORS WONDER HOW

by

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nomination was being confirmed by the Senate. The report of the examination went something like this: "Do you feel that you are qualified to serve on this commission?" The answer was "Yes." "Were you a bank officer?" "No." "Were you a board member of a bank?" "No." "Were you ever a bank employee?" "No." "Then why do you feel yourself qualified to serve on the Banking Commission?" asked the chairman of the committee. The senator replied "I was a depositor."

The pastor is in a position to answer questions which may be put to him in that he is a family man, a sinner who has been redeemed by Christ and he sits where they sit. He is acquainted with their sorrows and knows

their frustrations. He does not necessarily have to have all the answers. Having served in the Church of God in Christ in the office of Jurisdictional Bishop for the last six years, I have had many calls and inquiries from sincere pastors and ministers with questions ranging all the way from the work of the pastor as it relates to the congregation to that of purchasing property, opening bank accounts, borrowing or ascertaining mortgage money from banks, legal questions regarding the congregation, etc. For me, it has been a very humbling experience to have so many men come to me asking questions on how to perform their work as pastors. The title pastor is a unique Christian term that expresses a fundamental concept that is deeply embedded in every Biblical portrayal of Christian ministry. The term refers to a rich, scriptural figure that finds its beginning and end in God. He who is the shepherd of Israel as recorded in Psalms 80:1 ultimately demonstrated the meaning of this covenantal law as the great shepherd of the sheep by giving his life for them as recorded in John 10:11. The figure virtually bursts with

significance far more than various statements we make could ever express. Let us therefore try to capture something of what it meant for David as having been a shepherd at one time when he wrote the words in Psalm 23. "The Lord is my shepherd. I shall not want." In that statement lies all that is meant by the words pastor or pastoral work. Now, to understand this, let us just read Psalm 23:1 and read it in the following way: "The Lord is my pastor; I shall not want."

In other words, the shepherd is the one who provides full and

complete care for all of his sheep. Sheep are helpless according to Isaiah 53:7. Sheep are also followers as proves John 10:3 and also are likely to wander and go astray. But under the care of the shepherd, the sheep do not go lacking. God has called us to be pastors and to preach his word and we ought to enjoy it. Philip Brooks puts it very beautifully in his first address in lectures on preaching and I quote "Let us enjoy with one another that in a world where there are a great many good and happy things for men to do, God has given us the best and happiest and made us preachers of his truth." Someone has said that any man

dealing with ministers learns to put them into one of two main groups. On the one hand, there is the pastoral preacher who deals primarily with personal problems and with individual situations. He is the one that people turn to when they are in trouble, and both his words and his presence are comforting and healing. He sees his job as primarily binding up the wounds and comforting. Probably no man in his community will be loved by so many people, and few men will be able to give a better account of their lives. Then there is the second category which may be called

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DR. ST. CLAIR Y. BURNETT HONORED WITH ECCLESIASTICAL SALUTE

Saturday evening, February 28, 1981, The Gallery Room of the Catalina Inn, Orlando, Florida was a decorative Floral Garden. The occasion, Dr. St. Clair Y. Burnett was being honored with a Ecclesiastical Salute for his National achievements, sacrificial service, and dedicated, unexcelled duties to the Church of God in Christ, Inc. The "Salute" was sponsored by Dr. St. Clair Y. Burnett's local church, The Temple of Prayer, 306 Tampa Ave. North, Orlando, Florida. Rev. Isaiah Washington of Staten Island, New York was Chairperson, Deacon Ralph Wilkerson of Orlando was Co-Chairperson.

November, 1980, during the National Holy Convocation of the Church of God in Christ, Memphis, Tennessee, Dr. St. Clair Y. Burnett was re-elected to the office of Financial Secretary for the third term unopposed. Many dignitaries from out of state and other areas of the State of Florida were in attendance to "Salute" the "honoree." Dr. St. Clair Y. Burnett pastored the First Church of God in Christ, Staten Island, New York for nearly 20 years. He also served as State Executive Secretary for the New York Eastern Jurisdiction for 16 years, Bishop O. M. Kelly Jurisdictional Bishop. Dr. St. Clair Y. Burnett's degrees, accomplishments, and positions held before migrating to Florida from New York, plus the heights he has climbed since arriving in Florida are too numerous to elaborate upon.

Mrs. Rocita B. Butts of Staten Island, New York, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Burnett presided for the evening. Statement of Welcome was given by Mrs. Ethel Golden, President of the Pastor Aid Society of the

Temple of Prayer. The keynote speaker for the evening was Bishop F. D. Washington of Brooklyn, New York, one of the members of the ruling presidium of the International Church. His "Salute" was entitled, "The Magnificent Man." Miss Frederika La Fleur of West Palm Beach, recording Artist and Gospel Singer was featured musician. Bishop Jacob Cohen, Jurisdictional Bishop of Eastern Florida of Miami was Toastmaster. Other outstanding personalities appearing on program were Eld. J. Hulen, C.P.A. of Avon Park, Florida. Dr. J. Mark Cox of Orlando, family physician. Eld. William C. Terry, Administrative Assistant to Secretary of Finance of

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WITNESS AND WITH-NESS KEYS TO CHURCH GROWTH

by

C. E. Hawthorne

In a recent article in NET RESULTS, a publication of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Dr. Edward H. Kolbe reports on a National Evangelism Workshop which focused on the delicate balance in church growth: "Witness and With-Ness". Witness speaks of "reaching out to new persons". With-Ness speaks of "nurturing the persons who are part of our fellowship".)

While the article reported that Pentecostal denominations have grown + 78% in the past ten years or so, there are individual Pentecostal churches which have not enjoyed such tremendous growth. Why this is so cannot be easily explained. But one thing is

certain: "Witness and With-Ness" are two keys to numerical and spiritual growth.

One of the primary tasks of any congregation is to witness. This should certainly hold true for pentecostal congregation. For they emphasize the baptism of the Holy Ghost, which is a baptism of power. This power is a divine enabling for witnessing.

Jesus said, "But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you", and ye shall be WITNESSES unto me..." Every spirit-filled believer has power to witness. It is witnessing in the power of the Spirit that brings precious souls into the kingdom of God. As souls are

continuously added to the Kingdom, they are continuously added to the church (Acts 2:47.)

But for church growth to be maintained, there has to be an emphasis on developing personal relationships within the congregation. This is where the "withness" comes in. "With-Nessing" may be defined as getting with other believers in worship, fellowship and personal relationships.

This is what took place in the early church. There was a close-knitness that made the people one. "These all continued with ONE ACCORD in prayer and supplication, with the

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TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COGIC FAMILY:

Greetings from the Office of the Souvenir Journal and in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Each year a "National Souvenir Journal" of the Church of God in Christ, International is published as a supplement to the National Holy Convocation which convenes in Memphis, Tennessee in November. Thank you very much for your contributions to the Journal. Because of your past contributions, our previous editions of the Journal have been tremendously successful. As we approach another year to

edit the Journal I pray that you will express the same concern for its' publication; therefore I am soliciting your support again by asking you to provide an article from you, your jurisdiction, and/or your local churches.

This year the Journal will feature COGIC jurisdictional histories and/or roots, along with the various other areas - the accomplishments and improvements in our local churches, the progress of our pastors, ministers and missionaries, etc. It would be very enhancing to the readers of the Journal to gain knowledge of the histories of the Church of God in Christ viewed by jurisdictions.

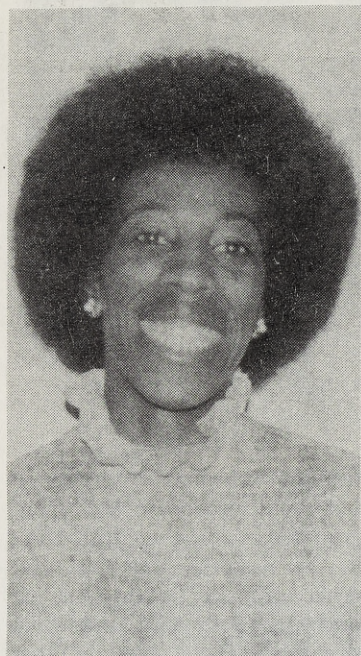
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Thank you again for exhibiting the spirit of cooperation and may the Lord bless and keep you as you take a part in the publishing of this year's "National Souvenir Journal."

Very truly yours,
 Howard E. Quillen, Jr.



YOUTH NEWS AND VIEWS

SHE'S RUNNING FOR JESUS (A Profile on Sis. Madeline Mims)

by

Elder Charles Hawthorne

KEYS TO EFFECTIVE YOUTH MINISTRY PART II

by

Elder C. E. Hawthorne

Ministry of any kind must, of necessity, have people who are involved in carrying that ministry out. This leads us to a second key in effective youth ministry. **RECRUIT QUALIFIED PEOPLE!** In order for a church's youth ministry to prosper, it must recruit qualified people to carry out the youth program.

What qualifies a person to work in such a ministry? The question is not so much what qualifies, but who qualifies one to youth ministry. The answer is "God. God qualifies one for this work. Well, who does he qualify? There is an old saying that I believe is true and adequately answers this question. "Whom the Lord calls, he qualifies". (Read Romans 8:30)"

Thus, one involved in working with young people should sense a divine summons to do so. It is not enough to sense a need. One must know that God has called them to respond to the need. If he has not called, then our prayer should be, "Lord send laborers into the vineyard" (Mt. 9:38.) If he has called, then our prayer should be, "Here am I, send me" (Isa. 6:8.)

There may be those who sense this call, but hesitate to respond in the affirmative because of a lack of confidence. This may stem from the idea that a qualified person is a formally trained person. This may or may not be true. One does not have to go to Bible College or Seminary to be an effective youth worker. There are other ways that one can be educated or trained. These include: reading books on youth ministry; attending workshops, conferences or seminars on youth ministry; studying other churches and their youth program; or receiving instruction from someone like a pastor or missionary, who's been involved in youth work. The important thing is that one prepare themselves by whatever means available. Adequate preparation would include gaining a general overall knowledge of the Bible and an understanding of the needs and concerns of young people.

COGIC WOMAN OLYMPIC RUNNER (A Profile on Sis. Madeline Mimms)

"I've been running for Jesus a long time, and I ain't got tired yet." The words of this song so aptly depict the testimony of Sister Madeline Manning Mimms, who started running as a little kid growing up in the inner city of Cleveland, Ohio. Not only would she beat all the girls running, but the boys, too. As a matter of fact, her brother used to bet his friends that she could beat them running.

Did young Madeline ever have any dreams of being an olympic runner? "No, I never heard of the olympics." As a youngster Madeline had no ideas of running competitively in national or world track meets. She just ran for the fun of it.

But God had other things in mind. He planned to take this tall, scrawny, big foot, spider leg girl and use her for His glory. Satan, of course, tried to hinder these plans. He afflicted Madeline in her childhood with spinal meningitis. The doctors

The qualified youth worker has a genuine love and concern for people. Youth ministry is not something that you do "just to be doing it." Nor is it something that you do because no one else will. No, there must be a Christ-like compassion motivating one to minister to youth. Jesus was everywhere moved with compassion to meet the needs of the people he came in contact with, including youth (Mt. 9:36; 14:14; Mk. 6:34.) This example is to be followed. Young people are turned off by those who are not for real or sincere.

Another quality to look for is creativity. A good youth worker is creative. He or she has the ability to come up with creative ways of ministering to youth. They are not bound by traditional methods of ministry, but are bold to launch out and explore new and effective avenues of reaching youth. They don't look to the world, but to the Holy Ghost, the Creative One within, to give them fresh ideas that are workable.

An effective youth worker must also be energetic. It takes a great deal of energy to reach and keep up with young people. They like to go places, meet people, and

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didn't think she would recover from it. And if she did, they said it would affect her mentally and that she would never be able to function normally. The Lord, however, would not be outdone by the devil. He blessed Madeline to grow out of the problem. He turned that sickness around to his glory.

In an exclusive interview, Madeline revealed that she believes that the illness somehow affected her metabolism for the good. It did something in her physical body to increase her ability to run. To God Be The Glory!! In spite of the physical infirmity, Madeline kept on running. She would have headaches and even vomit at times. But she kept on running. Her parents were divorced when she was six years old. But even that didn't stop her.

Madeline's love for sports became more serious in her junior high school years. She was interested in basketball, volleyball and track. By the time she became a junior in high school, track and field was her first love. It was then, in 1965,

at John Hay High School, that she ran outdoor track and competed in the 440 yard dash. She also joined the Cleveland Track Club, which opened doors for her to run in city, state and national meets. As a matter of fact, she set a national record while still a junior in high school. The following year she ran the 880 and set a world record.

Upon graduation from high school, Madeline attended Tennessee State University, the alma mater of the famed Wilma Rudolph. Later on that year (1967), in Canada, she had an opportunity to meet Wilma, a woman she knew little about, except that she was a black woman who had been a "Tiger bell" at T.S.U. and was a champion runner. Ms. Rudolph was very impressed with Madeline and encouraged her to keep on running.

And that she did. In 1968, Madeline ran in the olympics and became the first American woman to win a gold medal in the 800 meter track event. She set a world record, clocked at 2:00.9.



After graduating from Tennessee State with a B.A. in Sociology, Madeline returned to her home town. Up until this time she was a christian who shared her faith only when asked to or when the situation demanded it. Her spiritual life was at a low ebb and she needed a church where she could be nourished and strengthened. The Lord led her to Calvary Church of God in Christ, pastored by Elder Brown. After attending this church for a year, Madeline decided to join. It was then that she made a full surrender of her life to the Lord. A year later, in 1974, she was baptized in the Holy Ghost.

Two years earlier she had won a silver medal in the Munich, Germany Olympic games. But, when she was filled with the spirit, her running took on a new

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THE EVANGELIST DEPARTMENT MOVES FORWARD

There are, no doubt, many saints who are wondering about the status of the National Evangelist Department, since the passing of its president, Bishop L. C. Page, in November of last year. The death of a great leader after results in the death of the leaders dream. Not so in the case of the Evangelist Department.

Bishop F. D. Washington is presently overseeing the department. He is a man who has years of experience in evangelistic work and therefore well able to provide the type of leadership needed to maintain the affairs of this most vital department. All he asks, is that the saints give him a helping hand.

D. L. Austin, Vice President, will do just that. Having served the department for over 30 years, Elder Austin is on hand to pick up the slack and do whatever necessary to keep the department going. He is totally dedicated to the department's theme. "The Flame of Evangelism Must Never Go Out".

The flame has not gone out. It continues to burn as the Evangelist Department makes plans for this year's UNAC. As a major contributor to the convention, the department will be present, holding morning classes and expediting its own worship service. Some evangelistic outreaches are also being planned.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The history of the Evangelist Department goes back to the early 1900's. Actually, Bishop Mason was doing the work of an evangelist when he founded the Church of God in Christ (COGIC.) It was his evangelistic preaching of the message of holiness that resulted in multitudes being saved and sanctified. After preaching a revival in Jackson, Mississippi, he, along with some other ministers (Elders C. P. Jones, J. E. Jeter and W. S. Pleasant), decided to organize the "Church of God", (later changed to Church of God in Christ.)

That was in eighteen ninety six

or seven. When Bishop Mason returned from the Azusa Street Revival in 1907; his pentecostal experience only added oil to the already burning flame of evangelism. As more and more members were filled with the Holy Ghost, the evangelism fires spread like a forest fire across the nation. The church grew and several evangelists emerged to fan the flames.

In 1927, Bishop Mason appointed Elder L. C. Page to organize the church's evangelists. Six years later the evangelists were formally organized into, what was called, The National Evangelist Board. This board would sponsor meeting in various parts of the country, the first one being in Memphis in 1937. During the Holy Convocation, the board would

have a special day with annual services at Saints Academy in Lexington, Mississippi. In 1969, the Evangelist Board held its first convention in Dallas, Texas. These conventions featured good teaching (during the Bible Institute hour), good preaching (in the evening evangelistic services), and a special water baptismal service.

The year 1972, saw a change in the nature of the Evangelist Board. It was granted status as a

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DEATH NOTICES AND MEMORIALS



IN LOVING MEMORY OF MISSIONARY DAISY LEE WILLIAMS

THE OBITUARY

Missionary Daisy Lee Jennings Williams was born on October 3, 1926 to the union of Bishop J. H. Jennings and State Supervisor W. E. Jennings in Marktree, Arkansas.

She was saved at an early age of 8 years old. She was a lovable saint and gave faithful service to the church.

She was united in Holy Matrimony to Elder George Williams on October 26, 1941. To this union a daughter - Joyce Ella Lee Williams was born which preceded her in death.

She served under the leadership of Bishop J. H. Jennings until moving to San Francisco, Ca. in 1950, where she united with the Bayview C.O.G.I.C. under the leadership of Elder D. M. Cleaver. Later she served under the leadership of Supt. George Williams where she served faithfully until the Lord called her.

On Monday morning, January 5, 1981, Missionary Daisy Lee Williams passed away. She will be greatly missed by her family, friends and church.

She leaves to mourn her passing a devoted husband - Supt. George Williams; a father - Bishop J. H. Jennings; her mother W. E. Jennings; two uncles - Elder Archie Brice and Henry Brice; six aunts; and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, saints and friends.

A TRIBUTE TO MOTHER ANGELENE WATSON

Angelene Watson, the youngest of identical girls, was born to the union of Elder and Mrs. John Henry Trown on September 23, 1914, in Fort Smith, Arkansas. She accepted holiness at a very early age. She was saved and filled with the Holy Ghost under the leadership of Bishop W. A. Kendrick of Geridge, Arkansas.

As a youngster, Sis. Watson attended Faith Home Industrial Christian School in Arkansas. She completed her formal education, after moving to Battle Creek, Michigan, at Battle



Creek Central High School. She later moved to Saint Louis, Missouri, and was under the leadership of Bishop Bostic for many years until returning to Battle Creek.

Mother Watson was a good church organizer. The Lord blessed her labor with wonderful cooperation from the people. In the 1960's; the Lord blessed her with a special gift of singing praises unto the Lord, many times in an unusual way. In later years the Lord called her to the missionary field. Many souls were blessed, saved and filled with the Holy Ghost.

She worked faithfully in the churches in Michigan and Indiana, and held many different offices. Some of the offices included: Chairperson for District YPWW in Muncie, Indiana; President of the Women's Department in the local church; and Church Mother, under the leadership of Elder C. W. Williams. While serving in these offices she was very faithful.

When her husband, Elder Thomas Watson, started pastoring his own church, she worked close by his side. She was a very consecrated woman, dedicated to her work for the Lord for the upbuilding of the church. She was a very kind warm and friendly person, up to the time of her heavenly departure last August.

The poem expresses her deathbed sentiments:

WHEN I MUST LEAVE YOU

When I must leave you for a while . . .
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears.
And hug your sorrow to you,
through the years.

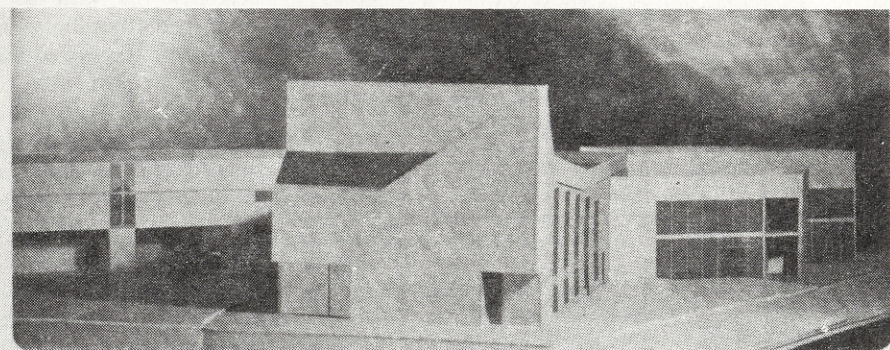
But, start out bravely, with a gallant smile.
And for my sake . . . and in my name,
live on and do all things the same.

Feed not your loneliness on empty days . . .
But fill each working hour in useful ways.
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer,
And I in turn, will comfort you and hold you near.

And never, never be afraid to die . . .
For I am waiting for you in the sky.

Mrs. C. W. Williams, Reporter

SPEAKING OF CHURCHES (With A Membership of 1,000 Plus)



ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST San Diego, California

"Though thy beginning was small, yet thy latter end should greatly increase."

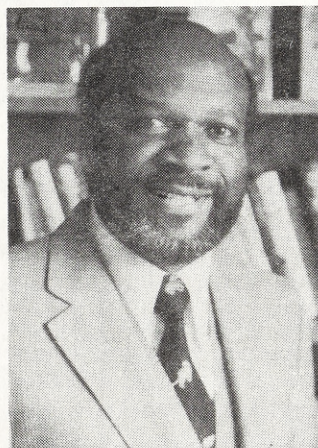
These words from Job 8:7 are quite fitting and descriptive of the history of St. Stephen's Church of God in Christ, pastored by the Reverend Doctor George D. McKinney, Jr. The church's beginning was very small. It's growth has been very large. In a little less than twenty years, St. Stephen's has grown from about seven families to a membership of over four thousand. That's incredible!

The obvious question that comes to mind is, "How did they do it?" Pastor McKinney sums it all up in one word—"grace." It was grace—God's unmerited favor. St. Stephen's has truly grown in grace, and in favor with God and man.

It all began twenty-one years ago when George McKinney left Ohio with a Master's degree from Oberlin's Graduate School of Theology, and went to California. For two and a half years, he served as an assistant to Bishop J. A. Blake at The Greater Jackson Memorial Church of God in Christ. During that time he also worked as a probation officer and extended his ministry to conduct weekly prayer and Bible study for fellow county probation officers. While studying the book of Acts and the martyrdom of Stephen, Elder McKinney was let to organize a new congregation named after this Spirit filled deacon.

St. Stephen's Church of God in Christ first held its worship services in the basement room of an office building. This arrangement lasted from September 1962, to January 1963. They were then forced to move and began holding services in a Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall on Sunday, with other services in the homes of members.

Since that time, this fast-growing inner city church, has expanded from a chapel seating 90 people to a sanctuary seating 650. Even this is too small to accommodate the ever-increasing membership, which consists of a cross-section of people from far (Los Angeles) and near (within a three mile radius of the church.) Plans are now being made to enlarge on six acres of adjacent land, their sanctuary (to seat 1,000,) school (to include a library,) and day-care center. The project is to



cost approximately 1.8 million dollars.

In the meantime, St. Stephen's is holding four different Sunday worship services. One at 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Throughout the week there is morning prayer at 8:00 a.m. and a noon hour worship service, which attracts at least seventy-five people each day. Evening services include Tuesday night YPWW and a systematic Bible study on Thursday.

How is it that all these services attracts so many people? The answer has to be in John 12:32 where Jesus said, "and if I, be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." Although this scripture refers to Jesus' death on the cross (John 12:33,) it has a broader meaning to those who know about lifting up Jesus in praise and preaching. This broader application contains the secret of St. Stephen's success.

Elder McKinney, to say the least, has a deep concern and commitment to make the gospel of Jesus Christ relevant to people's sufferings and needs. St. Stephen's was established to this end. From its humble beginning in the 60's, (a great time of crisis in Black America,) until now, it has sought to be responsive to the hurts of humanity. This can be clearly seen in the church's extensive outreach ministry. Let's look, in depth at the visible witness that St. Stephen's has provided in the San Diego community.

First of all, the church has been responsive to the child care and educational needs of the community. In December of 1963, the St. Stephen's Day Care Center was opened. Fifteen years later the St. Stephen's Christian School was established. It uses the A.C.E. (Accelerated Christian Education) curriculum and provides education for about 145 students K-12.

A second area of ministry is crisis intervention. The pastor, along with professionally trained counselors, provides counseling services to individuals and families. Social services are also provided for those in need of food, clothing and housing. The church also operates the St. Stephen's Group Home, a half-way house for young men on probation and parole.

The ministry of Teen Challenge is supported as well.

The chaplaincy program is a major ministry of St. Stephen's. The church supplies chaplains to penal, educational, and medically-related institutions. This includes ministry in county, state and women's prisons; hospitals, convalescent and rest homes; and on colleges campuses in the area.

One of the more recent ministries is a group called "blockbusters." These are 25-30 former addicts who have been delivered by the power of God. They get together regularly for Bible study and afterwards go into the streets to witness to dope pushers, drug addicts, prostitutes, etc. This ministry has been very effective with men and women getting saved right on the street at night.

There is no way that Rev. McKinney could do all of this by himself. He has a staff of fifteen ordained ministers who assist him. Six of them are on full-time salary. Another four ministers are taking classes in the church to prepare for ministry. As they complete their training, they will be funneled into the existing ministries or challenged to establish new ones. With this being the case, St. Stephen's Church of God in Christ is bound to double in size within the next ten years. To God Be The Glory!

For further reading on this fantastic church see I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH by George D. McKinney and the June 1981, issue of His Magazine—"A HIS interview with the Rev. George McKinney" (pg. 21.)

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DR. ST. CLAIR Y. BURNETT HONORED WITH ECCLESIASTICAL SALUTE

Warrensville, Ohio. Eld. David Beacham of Winter Park, Eld. Ronnie Morris, Chairman National Election Commission, Houston, Texas. Ms. Eula Gray of Daytona, Florida, public school system official so ably represented for Mother Gussie Gamble State Supervisor of The Women's Department for Eastern Florida Jurisdiction who was unable to attend. Rev. Moncie Belcher, Realtor of Queensvillage, New York. Rev. Isaiah Washington, and Ms. Melvine Poindexter represented the delegation of New York.

A "Special Tribute" "The Beautitudes of a Good Leader" was dedicated to the Honoree by his wife, Paulina.

One dozen of Long Stem Red Roses were presented to Mother Burnett by the Burnett's grandchildren.

Much to the "Honoree's" surprise at the finale of the Salute he was presented with a Trophy from his children and a Plaque from the church for his high degree of skill, proficiency and great humility.

The proceeds of the "Salute" were donated by the Honoree to the Temple of Prayer for Kingdom Building and Soul Seeking.

Delaine Bright, Secretary
Carolyn Latimer, Reporter

"WITNESS AND WITH — NESS" KEYS TO CHURCH GROWTH

by
C. E. Hawthorne

women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren", (Acts 1:14.) "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place", (Acts 2:1.) "And they, continuing daily WITH ONE ACCORD in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness, and singleness of heart" (Acts 2:47.) "And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God WITH ONE ACCORD, and said, Lord, thou art God which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is" (Acts 4:24.)

From these verses of scripture it can be said that, a church must "get with it" if it hopes to increase its membership. It needs to get with new converts. It needs to get with the youth. It needs to get with the senior members. As various members of the congregation get it together among themselves, bonds of love will be formed and strengthened.

This will serve to attract others to the church. For it, in and of itself, is a witness to the world. Jesus said, "by this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another"

(John 13:35.)

As the world sees the body of Christ having "the same care one for another," they will want to become a part of that body (I Cor. 12:25.) What this amounts to is a "corporate witness" serving as a "corporate witness". The "net result" is that others are incorporated into the body of Christ. WHAT A WAY TO GROW!!!

WHEN PASTORS WONDER HOW

the prophetic category. These ministers are termed prophets. The prophet is devoted to a proclamation of the word and is aware that the gospel is oftentimes not peace, but a sword. He sees the evil and exploitation of the poor and weak by the strong and rich. He is Amos on the "Main Street" proclaiming in the name of the Lord the evils of society. The modern pastor today combines both tasks of pastor or priest and prophet in one ministry. Actually, the ministry is one order and the same man has to be both a pastor and a prophet.

Then there is a certain vulnerability about the pastoral ministry in that the pastor, working in close proximity to the members individually and collectively, is quite unlike the doctor, lawyer or the other professionals who people call upon from time to time to serve their needs, then have no further responsibilities to them after business hours. There is a client relationship. On the other hand, the pastor, working in close relation with the people becomes a member of the family. He is a member of every family under his care. Their problems become his problems, and many times he has to work under some unfavorable conditions. As an example, he may not have enough interested and dedicated personnel to do his work or not enough trained personnel, a lack of finances to promote effective programs that he desires, or just a general attitude of indifference on the part of church officials within the congregation.

Yet, it is vital for the pastor to read, analyze and react to congregational needs and trends. In plain scriptural terms, he is to be a watchman (Acts 20:28.) References in the Old Testament also give support to the idea of the pastor as the watchman. There are enemies coming from without as well as enemies from within. There are heresies and false doctrines in the air that stalk the flock like a hungry wolf. The pastor has to be aware of these heresies and guard the sheep from every attack. Hebrews 13:7, among many other passages, speaks of watching over souls. And the apostle here admonishes the congregation to treat the pastor with respect. "Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation." Perhaps the words "watch" and "pray" suggest the two-fold direction of the shepherd's task, and he must

alert and seek God's grace to meet those challenges that confront the flock. If attendance at morning and evening services, prayer meetings, Sunday School, etc. are down, certainly it becomes his task to discover why and to do whatever is necessary to encourage and remedy the problem.

Another matter I would like to speak to is the care of families. Perhaps the most pertinent need of many congregations today is the preservation and care of families and marriages. This is not to say that we would neglect the singles of the church, those, who for whatever reasons, happen to be alone, widows, widowers, young people who have not yet found a mate and so forth. Every pastor will discover that eighty percent of his serious counseling problems will directly involve marriage, that is, husband and wife, family, child, parent and in-law problems. Recognizing that the basic attacks of our day are upon marriage and the institution of the family, the pastor must guard his flock and endeavor by every Biblical and legitimate means to instruct, cultivate and foster strong Christian marriage and family relationships. His pastoral task in this area, then, is (1) to recognize the basic nature of the contemporary attack upon the foundation of God's church and society in general. (2) to take every measure to ensure that these attacks are blunted by the teaching of the pure Word of God which alone affords the power to defend one from the fiery darts of the evil one. (3) To instruct the saved youth of the Fundamentals of marriage and family life since in modern society they will be "educated" by television, magazines, college professors and the general gossip of the day in views that see marriage and family life as optional, open, subject to any and all modifications and who knows what else.

It should be a deliberate part of the program of every pastor today not only to preach frequently about Biblical solutions to marriage and family problems, but to spend a definite period of time instructing saved young people in the fundamentals of marriage and family living. J. Adams, author of "Christian Living In The Home," said that pastors must become deeply concerned to operate prevention measures rather than settling for patching things up later on. And I think the old adage "An ounce of prevention is better than a pound of cure" suits the bill.

Another very important area that pastors should become concerned about is developing ways and means of implementing Titus 2:4. That is that the aged women be in behavior that becomes holiness, not false accusers, and not given to much wine, teachers of good things; that they may teach the young women to be sober. In my almost three decades as a pastor, I have become increasingly concerned, not so much about the fact that young women do not have qualified women to teach them to be good wives, but I think there is a

need today for young men to be taught and instructed how to be good father and husbands for their families. For many of the converts who come forward to be saved in our churches may not have had saved mothers or fathers to teach them real Christian principles and values and how to be responsible men and women, husbands and wives, mothers and fathers. And further, even though one may have had Christian parents, this does not always say that the parents were capable of teaching. The validity of the parents' ability may be somewhat in question because of difficulties and past experiences that the parents have had, either with multiple marriage problems or whatever, that the children have witnessed in the lives of their parents. So these young people come forward after changing communities, to altars across the country to be saved, and it can not be taken for granted that they know how or have been properly instructed in the Christian principles of being a good mother or good father. So there can be no greater or more important work for the pastor to do with families than to train the heads of those families.

Every pastor should give priority to the work he does with men, especially with husbands and fathers. I will close this month's column with these words: It is the pastor's task in following the chief and great shepherd of the sheep according to I Peter 5:4 to shepherd's flock so that they do not lack. That is to say he must meet their every need, not wish or desire. In my next article, I will deal with planning, scheduling and telephone time. I invite any questions or comments that one may have regarding the pastoral ministry, information that may be shared with this writer. Please address correspondence to Bishop P. A. Brooks; P.O. Box 04038; Detroit, Michigan 48204.

LOCAL DIALYSIS PATIENT, MINISTER WINS ESSAY CONTEST

Eld. Lorenzo Dupree, a native Washingtonian and minister in District of Columbia, recently won the first prize award for his entry in the Veteran's Administration Hospital's Essay Contest in Observance of its 8th Annual National salute to hospitalized veterans.

The contest was open to all patients and was to be written on the subject of "what the veterans' hospital means to me." In some seven hundred words or more, Eld. Dupree gave a heart rendering touching description of his ordeal as an early kidney patient and his appreciation for a second chance at life which he attributes to the Veteran's Administration Hospital.

Eld. Dupree is quite active in the Washington community. He is employed as a probation officer by the D.C. Superior Court in the Juvenile division, the pastor of Rehoboth Church of God in Christ, and a counselor to many young men in the community. He has been a dialysis patient for the past 12 years, served on the board of directors of the

National Kidney foundation of greater Washington. He was been a self-appointed social worker to countless dialysis patients in various hospitals who were making a poor adjustment to dialysis. He spends many hours helping them accept dialysis by improving their image of themselves. Eld. Dupree has an excellent philosophy regarding his medical problems. He refuses to admit to an illness. He maintains that he has a condition which has been corrected.

Phone 773-3878, Ms. Watson

NEW JERSEY

The beautiful Embassy Room at the Town and Campus Restaurant, Union, New Jersey was the setting for the Annual Holiday Luncheon of the "We Twelve", 1st Jurisdiction, State of N.J.

Members and their guest enjoyed a fellowship hour at which time hot and cold hors d'oeuvres were served. In a most congenial atmosphere, a delicious meal was enjoyed.

Mrs. Doris B. Page, We Twelve program coordinator was mistress of ceremonies.

The sing along hour led by Mrs. Florine Lee gave everyone a chance to participate and enjoy an entertaining afternoon. Soloist, Mrs. Macie Morgan, and Mrs. Shirley Robinson warmed the hearts as they praised God in song. Mrs. Deborah Kitchen received a standing ovation after her dramatization of "The Boxer."

President Olive Brown presented a special award to Elder Gordon Rogers, Superintendent, Northern District for his loyal service to the "We Twelve". Miss Arabella Faust received an award for captain of the year.

Crowning of the "We Twelve" member of the year is a time of excitement and anticipation. Mrs. Mamie Bull reigning member of the year relinquished the crown to Miss Brunell Major, Woman of the Year 1981.

Officials and out-of-town guest were presented to this setting by President Brown. Regards from Mrs. Anna Williams, Connecticut, Elder and Mrs. Butler, Delaware, and Mrs. Alverene Courtney, wife of the state presiding bishop. State Bishop Esau Courtney, First Jurisdiction also greeted this setting with warmth.

Each year we look forward to this affair with much enthusiasm, for there is nothing more beautiful than the sweet fellowship of the Saints!

Mrs. Olive L. Brown, President
Mrs. Ann Streater, Reporter

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GUEST EDITORIAL

HOW WE LEARN TO LOVE
by

Margaret Johnston Hess

him. He begged to return. She wavered, but refused, because he made no promise of change. He had never moved beyond the infant's level of love: "Give me what I want when I want it."

Ideally, the infant receives enough love for his individual needs. Gradually he learns to respond to his mother's love. He smiles, he coos, he touches her face, he clings to her. Gradually he wants to give to her. He presents her with a bouquet of dandelions, he wants to "help" with the wastebaskets. He is moving toward the second level of love.

This is the level of a give-and-take kind of love. Many friendships, much Christmas giving, are on this level. Giving and receiving more or less balance. Many people construct successful marriages on the basis of tender human love. Each person ministers to the needs of the other, is ministered to in return. Husband and wife recognize and fulfill mutual obligations--physically, practically, emotionally.

They may impart this level of love to their families. As the children mature, they pick up a share of the responsibilities. They mow the lawn, do the dishes, wash the car as their abilities permit. Furthermore, they yield a satisfactory return to parents in the form of parental pride. Their attractiveness and achievements have status value.

But sometimes give-and-take love isn't enough to face the unexpected in life. A child is or becomes hopelessly handicapped. A parent becomes chronically helpless or ill. If family members know nothing about a love beyond PHILIA love, family life breaks down. It disintegrates into bitterness, dreariness, or cold duty.

In contrast, suppose we have become charged with the kind of love Christ gave, AGAPE love. The picture is entirely different. A beauty and joy in giving suffuse the home. Those who need, receive. Those who can, give. That's the ideal, the ultimate in human love--a godly love. "We who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves" (Rom. 14:1 RSV.)

That kind of love values and esteems the object of love. It is unselfish, ready to serve without thought of return. It finds satisfaction in loving without limit, without measure. "We love, because he first loved us" (I John 4:19, RSV.) It's a miracle, isn't it, that God could reach out in love toward us? He gave the input we needed before we could respond. It's a miracle when a missionary reaches out in love. We marvel when he changes a dressing on the foot of a filthy child in the Congo, foul with disease. A worker on Skid Row puts his arm around the

shoulders of a smelly alcoholic. You or I may take a child from the ghetto to hold him close and teach him to read. It's AGAPE love that makes these acts possible.

AGAPE Love is required within families and churches. Sometimes one person has been starved emotionally in the "gimme" stage of love. He is incapable of returning a mature love. Yet another, if he is truly filled with all the fulness of God, can pour out selfless love to fill the lack. I've seen this done for a lifetime. I've also seen miracles happen: a husband, a friend at last believes he is loved, and responds. Through human love, he finds the miracle of God's revivifying love.

Truly this is the challenge: to hold our families together, to get along with in-laws, to nurture husbands or wives, to fill emotionally hungry children. AGAPE love is needed to hold our churches together, our cities, our county, our world. We must give to starved ones till they have had enough to give in return.

The alternative? To sit in our own corners grumbling, "But I want him to give to me now." To let our families collapse, churches quarrel, world come apart.

"But God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:8, RSV.) If we love Him, we can do no less. We can die to ourselves as we minister in love to others. If the giving gets rough, we can look up to Him and say, "He did it; in His strength, so can I."

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CALIFORNIA

The members of McGlothen Temple Church of God in Christ honored their pastor, Supt. Clarence Davis, in a special service on Sunday, March 1, at 3 p.m. He was recently appointed Admin. Asst. of California Northwest Jurisdiction. Church of God in Christ. This jurisdiction includes more than 125 churches.

Rev. Davis was born and lived in Port Arthur, Texas until moving to Richmond, Calif. in 1942. He worked in the Richmond Shipyards and attended night school to further his education. He has done advance studying at Bible Way College, Chicago, Illinois.

In 1945, he married Gladys Bonaparte. They have two children, Pamela Myles and Mark Davis.

Rev. Davis joined the McGlothen Temple membership in 1949, under the leadership of Bishop G. W. (Dad) McGlothen, pastor. He served for 10 years as Junior Minister for the youth department of the church and for six years as assistant pastor to Bishop McGlothen. In 1964, he was appointed pastor after the passing of Bishop McGlothen.

He has served as Superintendent of the Richmond District of

California Northwest jurisdiction for 14 years. Before his appointment as Administrative Assistant, he served as chairman of the Finance Committee and Regional Superintendent.

The deacons and members of McGlothen Temple invite the public to attend this special service honoring their pastor. Bishop J. C. Jenkins, Pastor of the Greater Saint Beulah Church of God in Christ in San Francisco, served as Master of Ceremony. Bishop M. Mathis, Jurisdictional Bishop was the guest speaker.

Emma Clark, Reporter

CALIFORNIA

The COGIC Annual Workers Meeting for the Southern California Jurisdiction No. 1 convened on January 6-10, 1981; at Crouch State Temple, 2300 South Central Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

This was a glorious setting, saints and workers in various capacities came from far and near to participate in this jurisdictional meeting.

On Tuesday January 6, our own Elder Charles Blake spoke on the theme, "Moving Toward Adequacy Through Christ." The morning message was brought by Bro. Paul Hackett, "Understanding Contemporary Events in light of Bible Prophecies."

Mother Dorothy W. Exum was in charge of the institute hour. Near the close of the afternoon session, a space was given by Superintendent B. J. Crouch, 1st Administrative Assistant to the area Superintendent of the local districts to come as the Lord leads. Among the ones who came forth were Superintendent Clarence Brown, Goodwill District, Pomona, Ca. He gave a very jubilistic and inspiring sermonette on, "too much head knowledge, and no power from the Holy Ghost."

Supt. J. D. Breuester, from the St. Luke District, reported of 6 churches in his district. Missionary Gertie Houston has been on the firing line for the Lord and working in the district for 22 years, she is a trouble-shooter.

Elder Edward Davis, the Central District, reported with 15 churches. Their motto is "Each Person Counts." His philosophy was to "make use of all you have, making no excuse for any."

Sister Lottie Brown, from the Evangelist District, pointed out that, "Unity in the district is not based on a lot of churches."

Supt. Lewis, Greater Friendship district, reported that Mother Garrett passed; may her soul rest in peace, and that Mother B. Smith is ill, in Portland, Oregon. Remember to pray for her speedy recovery.

Supt. John L. Moore, Naude COGIC, was the first speaker of the night devotional service. Thought: "Search Me and See." Scripture: I Cor. 11:28, 31, and

Psalms 139: 23:24, "I need help and a lot of it...We can do nothing of ourselves."

The second speaker for the evening was Dr. Knight from Riverside, California, "Neighbor Quit Blaming God!" "Where are you?" (I Cor. 16:11; Luke 18:1) This message was an inspiration to those who were privileged to hear. Dr. Knight let us know that, if we were in a place where God wants us to be, there would be no need to blame him.

We were blessed by two songs by two of our district choirs: New Jerusalem Choir, Pastor Elder Jones, and the House of Prayer Choir, Pastor Supt. Poe.

I would encourage anyone who has not had the opportunity to attend an annual workers meeting to do so. It will be a blessing and inspiration to your soul. I compare these meetings to a mini-Memphis setting in quality and grandeur.

Submitted by: Sis. Wyango V. Greene

Greater Goodwill Cogic, Pomona, Calif.

Sis. Betty Gostly of San Diego, Calif. was appointed recording secretary for General state sessions by Bishop Blake.

ILLINOIS

In January, 1981, Pastor Henry L. Smith completed one year in his new post as pastor of Prayer Garden Church of God in Christ, Chicago, Ill. (Northern, Illinois Jurs.)

Before retiring, Bishop Emeritus John O. Mason, chose Elder H. L. Smith to succeed himself as pastor of Prayer Garden COGIC--the choice was carried out by the newly appointed Bishop I. L. Roberts; when he officially appointed Elder Smith to the pastorate, on January 11, 1980.

Pastor H. L. Smith was born in the state of Arkansas. While yet an infant, his family moved to the state of Kansas. Later, the family moved to the state of California. Elder Smith was saved at the age of 10 years old, and was called to the gospel ministry at the age of 12. He was inducted into the U.S. Army at the age of 18. Upon being honorably discharged from the service, he decided to come to Chicago, Illinois (in 1955.) He united with the saints at Trinity Tabernacle Cogic under the pastorate of Bishop Mason. Elder Smith witnessed the merger of Trinity Tabernacle and Prayer Garden Cogic in 1958. Elder Smith served faithfully as an associate minister and assisting the late Sister Beatrice Mason with the Youth Night services; as well as continuing to do evangelistic work.

In the year of 1961, Elder Smith moved to the state of Massachusetts, where he served with the late Bishop Teague, and succeeded him as pastor of Holy Temple. Elder Smith served in Massachusetts as a pastor and district superintendent under Bishop Robinson until 1980, when he was appointed to his present post of duty.

The Prayer Garden congregation

is on the upward move. Elder Smith is preaching the Word of God with power. He is also attentive to the natural side of the membership and the church building. He is endeavoring to be temperate in all things; teaching us how to be progressive in this life as well as how to live holy. More than twenty souls have been saved and some added to the church through the ministry of Pastor Smith.

Pastor Smith has been selected by Bishop I. L. Roberts to teach the "30 Minute Holy Seminar"--designed to aid our gospel ministers of Northern, Illinois Jurisdiction.

We are Godly proud of the fact that our pastor was invited and did accept an invitation to attend the Presidential Inauguration ceremonies in January, 1981; in Washington, D.C.

At this writing, our pastor is yet commuting between Chicago and Springfield, Mass. We pray that his wife, (Mrs. Ramona Smith), and children (Kevin, Lisa and Baytina) will complete their move to Chicago during this year.

We, the Prayer Garden family, solicit your prayers as we pray for you.

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INDIANA

Holy greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We, the Pastor and members of Grace Memorial COGIC, are yet rejoicing in the Lord about the Great New Year's Revival, conducted by Elder Mitchell Davis of South Bend, Indiana.

The theme of the revival was "I'm excited about Jesus." Elder Davis taught us from the word of God each night. Souls were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. The Lord poured out his blessings on us each and every night.

Elder Davis is a young man and God deals with him in a special way. His teachings are just what is needed to make it to heaven. We thank God for having such preachers right here in our city. We are asking that you continue to pray for us at Grace Memorial COGIC as we strive to do the will of God.

Yours for the Master,
Eld. Leonard Bush, Sr., pastor
South Bend, Indiana

TEXAS

On Friday, Jan. 16, Superintendent B. L. Turman of Marshall District installed Elder M. C. Jiles of Douglassville as pastor of the Linden Church of God in Christ on Hwy. 59 south in Linden. Mrs. D. Ruth Whitman is secretary and Mrs. Vera Edmond is church mother. Pastor Jiles has expressed a desire for fellowship with the area churches, and he extends an invitation for worshippers to come to the church.

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CHAIRMAN WINBUSH ANTICIPATES GREATEST UNAC EVER IN CHICAGO

Mattie Moss Clark and the Music Dept. will also be engaged in the teaching ministry. Taking an active part in the training sessions, the department will be offering classes for the musically inclined. Delegates will have an opportunity to study subjects having to do with voice, instrumental, and choir directing.

In addition to these classes, will be others sponsored by various auxiliaries in the Church. For example, the Business and Professional Association will be holding classes again this year. Another feature will be special seminars on the Church and the Family. To be sure, there will be classes for everyone. The saints will find these sessions to be a time of joy reflection, education, fellowship, spiritual renewal, evangelism and pentecostal witness.

Dr. Roy L. H. Winbush and the UNAC Executive Committee should be applauded for the commendable job they are doing to make this year's UNAC the best yet. Under the very able leadership of Dr. Winbush, the Chicago convention is proving to be one of the better organized conventions yet. Delegates should find an improvement in overall efficiency and administrative excellence. A lot of hard work is going on and will be going on, to insure that the saints are served both naturally and spiritually so.

SATURDAY NIGHT TO FEATURE "A SONG IS BORN" MUSICAL

by
Charles E. Hawthorne

will be held from 8:30-11:00 a.m., beginning on Tuesday, July 7th and ending Friday, July 10th. Morning worship services will take place each day at eleven O'clock with the different departments in charge.

Another feature of this year's UNAC will be the opportunities available to young people. Young ministers and missionaries will be speaking in

the major slots throughout the convention. That includes the morning, afternoon and evening services. On Saturday night young people from all over the country will be invited to share in "Operation Theme,"—a special 7:30 p.m. service given to preaching on the theme, "UNAC Bringing Multitudes Together."

High school and college youth should plan to attend Career Day. This newly featured event will be sponsored by the Business and Professional Association (B.P.A.) It will feature information about various occupations and careers which youth may be interested in.

All the saints are invited to eat, drink and be spiritually entertained at the Annual UNAC Banquet, which will take place on that Friday evening at five O'clock in the Grand Ball Room at the Hilton. That evening will come to a climax at the evening service where the Presiding Bishop J. O. Patterson will be preaching.

It has been said that, "All's well that ends well." This will certainly be the case when the convention comes to a close, Sunday, July 12, at 3:00 p.m. For there will be a Mass Unified Rally at the Hilton, with the UNAC steering committee Chairman, Elder Carlis C. Moody of the Missions Department, preaching what will prove to be, an anointed and challenging message. BE THERE!!!

THE EVANGELIST DEPARTMENT MOVES FORWARD

full-fledge department. Two years later, the Men's Evangelist Department under the leadership of Bishop L. C. Page; and the Women's Evangelist Department, under the leadership of Mother Reatha Herndon; were merged into one department. Bishop was appointed President of the newly merged department and Mother Herndon was appointed Elect Lady. Since that time, the Evangelist Department has grown, with jurisdictional departments formed in over 25 states.

Eld. Austin has contributed much to the success of this department. He has served in several capacities, including

Assistant Secretary, Executive Secretary, Convention chairman, and presently Vice-President. He is the editor of "The Flame of Evangelism", the official publication of the department. He has also authored a book entitled, DOING THE WORK OF AN EVANGELIST, a book that outlines the history, organization, and programs of the National Evangelist Department.

KEYS TO EFFECTIVE YOUTH MINISTRY (Part 2 in a series)

do things. Someone who does not have the energy to cooperate in such endeavors, is not suited for this ministry. You must have "get up and go". You must be one who is enthusiastic and excited about the Lord and youth activities.

This leads us to next point. The younger the youth worker the better. A youth worker should be young. How young is young? That's a question that you'll have to answer. But a qualified worker is one who can relate well to young people. They can identify with youth and the things they experience. They are someone that youth can and will listen to. But even more importantly, they are someone that youth can talk to. In other words, they are approachable, someone who is down-to-earth, and comfortable to be around. They don't make young people feel uptight, fearful or nervous. Building rapport and confidence is one of their many abilities.

It is often said that, "to be a good leader, you must be a good follower." This is especially true here. A good youth leader is submissive, submissive to God, submissive to church (pastoral) leadership, and even submissive to young people. The Bible not only commands the younger to submit to the older, but it also commands us to be subject to one another (I Peter 5:5.) This does not mean that youth should exercise authority over adults. But it does mean that adults should be responsive to some of the requests of young people. In other words, we should not always do what we want to do. There should be times when we do what the young people want to do. This, of course, does not relate to

compromising biblical principles or standards. But, it does relate to an acceptance of that which is within reasonable, scriptural bounds. Thus, a youth leader must be flexible, able to give and take, lead and follow.

SUMMARY

In recruiting qualified people, the pastor of a local church should look for someone who is called, prepared, genuinely concerned, creative, approachable, and submissive. This is not a comprehensive list of qualities. But it does give us a feel for what type of person is needed.

The only other question is: "Where will these people come from? "Where do you find good, qualified people?" It would be wonderful to have this person present in the congregation. If there isn't, maybe there is a member in the church that could be groomed for youth ministry. Otherwise, it becomes necessary to ask God to send a qualified person. In the meantime, the pastor should be looking for an answer to prayer. In other words, he should be on the lookout for someone who fits the bill. If pastors can recruit musicians to minister in music, they should be willing and able to recruit workers to minister to youth.

SHE IS RUNNING FOR JESUS

dimension. It became a ministry. "Before a race I get very quiet, wanting to be alone in prayer. I'm not just running. It's a ministry, and I want to run each race in the power of the Holy Spirit."

This may sound strange to some of the older saints who may feel that one cannot be an athlete and a christian, too. As a matter of fact, Madeline was told this early in her christian life. Being submissive to one of the church mothers, she gave up running. But, her life was miserable. God had a calling upon her life and she was not fulfilling it. Finally, she gave in and committed herself to what God wanted her to do—RUN FOR HIM.

As Madeline humbled herself in this area, the Lord exalted her. In 1975, she was inducted into the U.S. Track and Field Hall of Fame. On several occasions, she has been named the outstanding athlete of national and international meets. In the 1976, Games at Montreal, Canada she was elected captain of the Women's Olympic Track Team. Such recognition gives Madeline a platform from which to share her faith in Jesus Christ.

This happens on the (track) field and off. Madeline has had the privilege of not only witnessing to Americans' athletes, but foreign athletes as well. She has even been interviewed on Russian T.V., where she was able to give her personal testimony. Here in the United States she signs and speaks to lots of youth groups in high schools, colleges, prisons, churches, crusades, conferences, retreats, etc.

When asked what she felt was the greatest need of young people, she replied, "love". And love is what Madeline gives. She ministers in love. Those who sit and hear her sing and speak cannot help but be touched by the love of God that flows from Madeline's heart.

One might think that such a major sports figure would be arrogant, proud or egotistical. On the contrary, this woman of God is meek, humble and down-to-earth. She doesn't put on airs when she ministers. She just lets go and lets God have His way in her. One of her favorite songs is, "I Surrender All".

This is something she has had to do continually, especially in regards to her running. At one point she thought it was all over with. But the Lord called her

out of retirement to train for the 1980, Moscow Olympics. Her training went so well that she won her fourth consecutive Olympic trials women's 800 crown, and came within a second of breaking her own record. This year, the Lord is preparing her to reach the ultimate in her running career. Right now she is in training for several national and international track meets. Her goal is to break her American record in the 800 meters.

Other goals include expanding her ministry. Madeline has already published a book and recorded an album, both entitled "Running for Jesus", but she wants to broaden her writing ministry in the areas of poetry, songs, and verses for cards. She would also like to write a drama about her life for motion pictures (i.e. something similar to the Wilma Rudolph Story.) Steps are now being made to cut another album, with hopes that Madeline will eventually receive a Grammy Award in contemporary gospel music.

Madeline's ultimate goal, of course, is to please the Lord in all she says and does, especially in the area of her family. Madeline says that she wants to be the best wife and mother her husband and son could ever have. Next to Jesus. Roderick and Little John are the most important men in her life. Her love for them is reciprocated in their support for her to keep RUNNING FOR JESUS.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The James Oglethorpe Patterson Fine Arts Appreciation Scholarship Activities will be held in Memphis, Tennessee, during our November Convocation this year. All eligible persons are welcomed to participate. The preliminary activity or competition will be held Friday, November 6, 1981, at 1:00 P.M. in the chapel of Pentecostal Temple Institutional Church of God in Christ, located on Linden Avenue at Danny Thomas Blvd., Bishop J. O. Patterson, pastor.

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